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## **Crop Production**

Correction to 2007 Soybean Data 08-18-08

Crops have progressed steadily, despite the late planting due to a wet spring.

**Corn:** Iowa's corn planted and harvested for grain acreage is estimated at 13.7 million and 12.9 million acres, respectively. As of August 1, Iowa's corn crop is forecast to yield 171.0 bushels per acre. If realized, this would tie last year's yield as Iowa's third highest yield, behind 2004's 181.0 bushels per acre and 2005's 173 bushels per acres. Production is forecasted at 2.2 billion bushels, Iowa's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest if realized, 7 percent below last year.

**Soybeans:** The August 1 yield forecast of 47.0 bushels per acre is down 4.5 bushels from 2007. If realized, soybean production would be 437.1 million bushels, down from last year's production of 438.5 million bushels. This year, Iowa farmers planted 9.5 million acres of soybeans and plan to harvest 9.3 million acres.

**Oats:** Oat production is forecast at 4.7 million bushels, down from 4.8 million bushels last year. The forecast yield of 63.0 bushels per acre is down 4 bushels per acre from the July 1 forecast.

**Other Crops:** The hay yield for **alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures** is expected to be 4.3 tons per acre with a total production of 4.73 million tons, down 1 percent from 2007. The other hay yield is projected at 2.5 tons per acre with a total production of 875,000 tons, up 12 percent from 2007. The August 1 apple forecast of 4.7 million pounds is up 74 percent from the previous year.

**Reminder:** All crop forecasts in this report are based on conditions on August 1 and do not reflect any possible weather effects since that time. The next corn and soybean production forecasts, based on conditions as of September 1, will be released on September 12.

#### **August 2008 Production Summary - Iowa and United States**

Crop	For Harvest		Yield p	per acre	Production		
Стор	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	
	Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels	
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Oats for Grain	67	75	71.0	63.0	4,757	4,725	
Corn for Grain	13,850	12,900	171.0	171.0	2,368,350	2,205,900	
Soybeans	8,520	9,300	51.50	47.00	438,780	437,100	
Hay, all <sup>1</sup>	1,480	1,450	3.80	3.90	5,570	5,605	
Alfalfa Hay <sup>1</sup>	1,140	1,100	4.2	4.3	4,788	4,730	
UNITED STATES							
Oats for Grain	1,505	1,443	60.9	62.3	91,599	89,897	
Corn for Grain	86,542	79,290	151.1	155.0	13,073,893	12,287,875	
Soybeans	62,820	73,341	41.20	40.5	2,585	2,973	
Hay, all <sup>1</sup>	61,625	60,439	2.40	2.40	150,304	147,955	
Alfalfa Hay <sup>1</sup>	21,670	20,778	3.4	3.4	72,575	70,944	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hay yield is reported in tons per acre and hay production in thousand tons.

## **Iowa District Estimates**

#### Corn, 2007-2008

### Soybeans, 2007-2008

District	Harvested		Yield	l/acre	Production		District	Harvested		Yield/acre		Production	
	2007	2008 1	2007	2008 2	2007	2008	District	2007	2008	2007	2008 2	2007	2008
	Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels		Thousand Acres	Thousand Acres	Bushels	Bushels	Thousand Bushels	Thousand Bushels
NW	2,020	1,910	163.5	178.0	330,200	340,120	NW	1,434	1,570	52.1	49.0	74,778	77,140
NC	2,055	1,910	176.6	180.0	362,900	343,940	NC	1,094	1,180	51.8	47.0	56,619	55,510
NE	1,626	1,530	175.8	173.0	285,800	264,800	NE	675	690	50.9	48.0	34,388	33,190
WC C EC	2,054 2,055 1,470	1,920 1,910 1,390	166.9 176.9 179.1	169.0 173.0 164.0	342,900 363,500 263,300	324,610 330,560 228,050	WC C EC	1,367 1,229 763	1,590 1,260 770	50.2 54.2 51.6	46.0 47.0 46.0	68,647 66,605 39,408	73,180 59,310 35,510
SW	1,051	960	154.0	159.0	161,900	152,700	SW	885	985	50.6	47.0	44,813	46,350
SC	562	520	157.2	157.0	88,350	81,660	SC	443	530	49.9	43.0	22,107	22,830
SE	957	850	177.1	164.0	169,500	139,460	SE	630	725	49.9	47.0	31,415	34,080
State	13,850	12,900	171.0	171.0	2,368,350	2,205,900	State	8,520	9,300	51.5	47.0	438,780	437,100

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Harvest for grain <sup>2</sup> Yield rounded

## U.S. Corn Supply and Demand

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CORN	2006-2007	2007-2008 (Est.)	2008-2009 <sup>1</sup> Projections August	
	Million Bushels	Million Bushels	Million Bushels	
Beginning Stocks	1,967	1,304	1,576	
Production	10,535	13,074	12,288	
Imports	12	18	15	
Supply, total	12,514	14,396	13,878	
Feed & Residual	5,595	6,050	5,300	
Food, Seed & Industrial	3,490	4,345	5,445	
Domestic, total	9,085	10,395	10,745	
Exports	2,125	2,425	2,000	
Use, total	11,210	12,820	12,745	
Ending Stocks, total	1,304	1,576	1,133	
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	3.04	4.25	4.90-5.90	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Preliminary

## U.S. Soybean Supply and Demand

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SOYBEANS	2006-2007	2007-2008 (Est.)	2008-2009 <sup>1</sup> Projections August				
	Million Bushels	Million Bushels	Million Bushels				
Beginning Stocks	449	574	135				
Production	3,188	2,585	2,973				
Imports	9	10	8				
Supply, total	3,647	3,169	3,116				
Crushings	1,808	1,830	1,815				
Exports	1,116	1,145	1,000				
Seed	78	94	90				
Residual	70	-35	75				
Use, total	3,073	3,034	2,980				
Ending stocks	574	135	135				
Avg. farm price (\$/bu)	6.43	10.15	11.50				

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